

The following questions were identified by participants in an FTA Recreation Training Session delivered by Liz Reading on November 6, 2008. Some of these questions were answered by business experts during the training session while the remainder were answered after the training session was completed. In addition to posting the questions/answers in this document, all of these questions and answers have been posted to the MFR FTA Questions & Answers website.

FTA Q/A Website: http://gww.for.gov.bc.ca/gscripts/pab/fordisc/view_discussion.asp?TopicID=48

<p>Oct 28, 2008 - Ref#:1028102726</p> <p>I am trying to make an FTC submission to retire a section of a recreation trail. I enter an Application Purpose code of "R" for the section but get an ESF error message "Invalid application purpose code". What am I doing wrong?</p> <p>Oct 28, 2008 -</p> <p>You can't individually retire recreation sections. You can only retire the whole licence. An XML file to retire a recreation trail would contain the following fields:</p> <pre><ftc:forestFileID>REC10075</ftc:forestFileID> <ftc:recreationLinearType>RecTrail</ftc:recreationLinearType> <ftc:applicationPurpose>R</ftc:applicationPurpose>></pre>
<p>Apr 25, 2006 - Stephanie Elser - Ref#:425162526</p> <p>How do I create a new Rec project number? Is this now done by Ministry of Tourism, Sport and the Arts? I do not see a drop down choice for the Recreation tenure.</p> <p>May 10, 2006 - Lawrence Keating -</p> <p>New recreation files are created thru an FTC submission. This process was introduced in FTA release 3.0. Complete details are available in the Recreation User Guide on the FTA Production Release Statement web site at [http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/HIS/gov_internal/!publish</p>
<p>Oct 28, 2008 - Ref#:1028102836</p> <p>What is the correct method to remove from FTA/LRDW those tenures which are approved but never issued?</p> <p>Oct 28, 2008 -</p> <p>That cannot happen. Approved and Issued are the same thing, and the Approved button should not be used until the statutory decision maker has signed the document and it's ready to go out the door. If there are districts that are not following this procedure, they need to adjust their business process. This is probably the single most important date and status change in FTA.</p>
<p>Oct 28, 2008 - Ref#:102810282</p> <p>When you click on retire in FTA, does that populate the retire field(s) for the tenure in the LRDW? Will I still see the spatial information?</p> <p>Oct 28, 2008 -</p> <p>When you retire a tenure or feature of a tenure (some licences are different), then the field in FTA is populated. That, in turn is replicated to the warehouse. Let's use a road section as an example. You can retire it, and if you go look at it in the warehouse you will notice that the geometry is still there. The only difference is that the lifecycle status code is set to RETIRED and the RETIRED_DATE will be filled in. If you don't filter on either of these attributes, you will still see all spatial information.</p>

Nov 6, 2008 – Mikel Leclerc-Training session
Can the project type recreation reserve be used for recreation site?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - Recreation Reserve should not be used as project type, if in fact it is actually a recreation site, trail or Interp Forest. If a project does not meet the definition of a site/trail or Interp Forest it can be considered for a recreation reserve if there is a significant recreation feature present.</p>
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Can the UTM coordinates for trails be updated in FTA?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - Not at this time. UTM coordinates can only be updated for Recreation Sites. At this time updated UTM coordinates aren't accepted for Linear features like trails, ie the system was designed to determine if new coordinates are within the geometry of a polygon not a linear feature. Future upgrades will address the use of trail coordinates</p>
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Site Description is entered on the FTA701 screen and a Project Description on the FTA708 screen...which one is displayed on the Recreation Web Map?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - The Project Description entered on the "FTA708 - Recreation Comments" screen will be displayed on the Rec WebMap.</p>
Nov 16, 2008 --
Can Lump Sum repair costs be entered in FTA707-Defined Camsites, instead of each individual campsite?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - No...however in the interim...recommend entering a total cost in campsite #1, if entry of individual campsite costs is a concern.</p>
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Who generally would submit a project for approval?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - The Geomatics Operator submits the project via ESF for clearance. The submission then resides in the FTA InBox and is ready for approval by the Rec Officer. Once approved it becomes a Recreation Tenure.</p>
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
If you make a mistake and archive a project can you bring it back to HI with the same project#?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - A new submission or a data fix is required</p>
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
What is a data-fix?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 - A data fix can be used to change file type , file status etc. For a more complete list see the FTA Data Fix/Data Load webpage... http://gwww.for.gov.bc.ca/his/fta/dfx/ . For attribute data fixes to a large number of recreation files a data load template may be required.</p>

Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
What are the criteria for Project Description and Site Description?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 -</p> <p>.</p> <p>Site Descriptions</p> <p>For Sites:</p> <p>-A written description providing a brief summary of the site or highlighting its key characteristics. Note: number of campsites, fees, agreement holder, activities etc are displayed on the Rec WebMap and are not required in Project Description.</p> <p>For trail:</p> <p>-A written description providing a brief summary of the trail noting its primary use, length or average hiking time(if known), highlight significant characteristics; any cautions or restrictions unique to the trail.. *Note: Closure info can be entered in the FS708 screen.</p> <p>Some examples</p> <p>Trail - A popular day hike to a scenic lake; no overnight use; no campfires. Note that a bridge has been washed out which provides access to this site and some damage has occurred to the site due to an avalanche.</p> <p>Site- Popular hang gliding launch site and mountain bike downhill departing point ; spectacular views of the Columbia River Valley; day use only.</p> <p>Site – A campsite near the confluence of Bluewater Creek and the Columbia River: moving water take out location</p> <p>Driving Directions</p> <p>Should be relatively brief. The majority of info required is spatially available on the webmap, including a driving directions tool available from Google Earth.</p> <p>Some examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From Campbell River, head west on Hwy.28. Turn right at the top of General Hill and drive across the John Hart dam. Turn left on to the Brewster Lake road (gravel), and follow it for 10.8 km to the 4-way junction. Take the Campbell Lake Forest Service Road for another 8.5 km, and you'll come to the turnoff to Dogwood Bay. 35-40 minutes (25.7 km) from town. - Access is via the Kicking Horse road. Turn east at about 9 km up the road. - Paul Creek is a small unimproved site at 42.5 km on the Beaverfoot Forest Road. - Access is at the start of the Blaeberry Forest Service Road (i.e. at the first bridge across the Blaeberry) The site is just upstream on the east side of the river.

Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Are Establishment dates being carried over from the old version of FTA to this new version?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 -</p> <p>Established dates for objectives will be carried over from the previous version of the Rec Module. The new field for Project Established Date however will require a new entry</p>

Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Is the right of way width the width specified in the establishment order?
<p>Nov 6, 2008 -</p> <p>. If so desired R/W width could be part of order ...but I would suggest the correct place is the Exhibit A and the project details</p>

Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
When new UTM data is entered, does this update the triangle on Map View?
Nov 6, 2008 - . Yes ... any updates to the UTM coordinates will affect the position of triangle on webmap. Note: UTM coordinates for Rec Sites can be entered into FTA; however the webmap update is not enabled at this time. This will occur within the next month or so.
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Is R/W width from trail centre outward, or TOTAL width from edge to edge
Nov 6, 2008 - . R/W is total width from edge to edge
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Can you overlap fees, i.e. weekends from Sept to April, and fridays from June to July?
Nov 6, 2008 - . Fee dates cannot be overlapped and should be recorded by month and day.
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
How is Agreement Holder info entered into FTA. ?
Nov 6, 2008 - via CLIENT which is administered by MoF District Resource clerk or MoFR HQ. MoFR HQ has agreed to enter the Agreement Holder info as required. Once an agreement holder has been entered into client, the info is populated into the FTA702 screen by searching and selecting the correct client. For instructions on info required for CLIENT and how to submit, visit the Rec Sharepoint Site.
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Are trail segments measured in meters, kilometres or feet?
Nov 6, 2008 - .Trail segments are measured in meters in the FTA705 screen and summarized in km on "Total Trail Length" field on the FTA701 screen.
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
If campsites don't meet the criteria of excellent or good; to be considered a defined campsite, are they then considered "overflow"?
Nov 6, 2008 - Correct
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
For marine sites with docks and mooring buoys: do we list defined campsites as "0"??
Nov 6, 2008 - .Yes, assuming there are no defined campsites associated with the site on shore.
Nov 6, 2008 --Training session
Did I miss seeing the new recreation district box and drop-down menu? (so that we can identify rec district as well as forest district)
Nov 6, 2008 - Rec District box is on the FTA701 screen (new field) you can't search by Rec District only by Forest district

Nov 6, 2008 --Training session

When spatial data is no longer available for AR projects, how is it retrieved

Nov 6, 2008 -

To retrieve AR spatial data that has been filtered out, it can be turned on as an active layer.

If the intent is to bring it back ...ie change the file status to HI, then a new submission would be required. When archiving a project, the spatial information will be removed. The attributes in FTA however will remain, for history

If the project number and its associated history (if there is any) is of no value, then you can request a deletion. A deletion is a Data fix.